

<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Mail Stop RCE	Application #	08/981,665
	Confirmation #	8326
	Filing Date	11/5/1997
	First Inventor	CIPKOWSKI
	Art Unit	1641
	Examiner	Grun, James Leslie
	Docket #	P08948US01/BAS

**This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-noted application.**

*RCE practice does not apply to any utility application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.  
Prosecution must be closed.*

**Submission required  
under 37 CFR § 1.114**

*Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise (with a separate request for non-entry).*

☐ **Previously submitted.** If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered by the PTO as a submission even if this line is not checked.

- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
☐ Other:

☒ **Enclosed**

- ☒ Notice of Appeal ☐ Information Disclosure Citation  
☒ Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review ☒ Other: Extension of Time

**Miscellaneous**

☐ **Suspension of action** on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (*Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR§ 1.17(i) required*)  
☐ Other:

**FEES** calculated below (after reduction for an amendment if noted above).

	NOW	Basic/Previous Number	Present Extra	Rate	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOTAL CLAIMS	3	- 20	0	X \$ 52 =	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	- 3	0	X \$ 220 =	0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)				\$ 810 =	810
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>					810
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by ½ for small entity status of applicant				-	(405)
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>					405
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee				+ \$ =	1175
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other fee for Notice of Appeal				+ \$ =	270
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FEES =</b>					<b>1850</b>

☒ Payment of \$1850 is made by: ☐ CREDIT CARD (Form PTO-2038 is enclosed).

☒ ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER submitted herewith.

☒ The Director is authorized to charge any fee, additional fee or extension fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555:

- (1) if no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith; or  
 (2) if no petition for extension of time is enclosed but an EOT is required - and in this event, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Date: March 9, 2009

Signed By Name: B. Aaron Schulman  
 Attorney of Record Registration No.: 31,877

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